

# MULTI-FAITH CALENDAR 2025/26

## AUGUST

- 15** Dormition of the Mother of God (Orthodox Christian)
- 16** Krishna Janmashtami (Birth of Lord Krishna) (Hindu)

## SEPTEMBER

- 5** Mawlid al-Nabi (Birthday of Prophet Muhammad) (Islam)
- 23 & 24** Rosh Hashanah (New Year) (Jewish)

## OCTOBER

- 2** Vijaya Dashami/Dussehra (Hindu)
- 2** Yom Kippur (Day of Atonement) (Jewish)
- 7 & 8** Sukkot (Tabernacles) (Jewish)
- 14** Shemini Atzeret (Jewish)
- 15** Simchat Torah (Jewish)
- 20** Bandi Chor Divas (Sikh)
- 21** Diwali (Festival of Lights) (Hindu)

## NOVEMBER

- 5** Birthday of Guru Nanak Dev Ji (Sikh)
- 24** Martyrdom of Guru Tegh Bahadur (Sikh)

## DECEMBER

- 25** Christmas Day (Birth of Jesus) (Christian)
- Saturday every week\*** Shabbat (Sabbath) (Jewish)

## JANUARY

- 6** Theophany (Baptism of Jesus) (Orthodox Christian)
- 14** Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh (Sikh)

## FEBRUARY

- 15** Maha Shivratri (Festival of Lord Shiva) (Hindu)
- 18** Ramadan begins – lasts 30 days (Islam)

## MARCH

- 4** Holi (Festival of Colours, Love and Spring) (Hindu)
- 20** Eid-ul-Fitr (Festival of the Breaking of the Fast) (Islam)
- 26** Ram Navami (Birth of Lord Ram) (Hindu)

## APRIL

- 2 & 3** Pesach (Passover) (Jewish)
- 3** Good Friday (Crucifixion of Jesus) (Christian)
- 5** Easter Sunday (Christian)
- 8 & 9** Pesach (Passover) (Jewish)
- 10** Great & Holy Friday (Orthodox Christian)
- 12** Pascha/Easter Day (Orthodox Christian)
- 14** Vaisakhi/Baisakhi (Spring Festival) (Sikh)

## MAY

- 1** Wesak (Buddha Day) (Buddhist)
- 22 & 23** Shavuot (Jewish)
- 27** Eid-ul-Adha (Islam)
- 31** Pentecost (Orthodox Christian)

## JUNE

- 16** Martyrdom of Guru Arjan Dev (Sikh)
- 26** Ashura (Death of Husayn ibn Ali) (Islam [Shia])

## JULY

- 15** Martyrdom of the Báb (Baha'i)
- 19** Sitalsasthi (Hinduism)
- 23** Tish'a B'av (Judaism)
- 29** Asala-Dharma Day (Buddhism)
- 29** Guru Purnima (Hinduism)

Dates obtained from <https://www.dur.ac.uk/media/durham-university/support-services-/student-support-and-wellbeing/student-wellbeing-programme/Major-Religious-Observances-2025-26.pdf>



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